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SUBJECT: EC RESPONSE TO SWEDISH SHOE QUOTAS

1. THE EC COMMISSION HAS INFORMED THE PRESS THAT IT WILL SHORTLY REINTRODUCE THE MFN DUTY OF 12 PERCENT, INSTEAD OF THE PREFERENTIAL DUTY OF 10.5 PERCENT, ON THE PRODUCTS (PAPER AND PAPERBOARD) FALLING WITHIN CXT HEADING 4815B, WHEN IMPORTED INTO THE ORIGINAL SIX MEMBER STATES FROM SWEDEN. THE THREE NEW MEMBER STATES WILL ALSO RAISE THEIR DUTIES ON THESE SWEDISH PRODUCTS.

2. THE COMMISSIO HAS BEEN UNDER SOME PRESSURE FROM THE EC PAPER INDUSTRY OT ENFORCE THE "INDICATIVE CEILINGS" ON SCANDINAVIAN PAPER PRODUCTS THE RECENT INSTITUTION OF SHOE QUOTAS BY SWEDEN HAS MOVED THE COMMISSION TO DO SO, BUT ONLY IN THE CAS OF SWEDEN. THE ACTION IS CERTAINLY A FORM OF RETALIATION, BUT IS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE 3 OF PROTOCOL 1 OF THE ECASWEDEN AGREEMENT, WHICH PROVIDES THAT MFN DUTIES " MAY BE REINTRODUCED" WHEN THE "INDICATIVE CEILINGS" ARE EXCEEDED. THE "CEILINGS" ON PAPER WIRE, REPORTEDLY, GENERALLY EXCEEDED

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